In the Senate of the United States,

May 2, 2000.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 3642) entitled "An Act to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Charles M. Schulz in recognition of his lasting artistic contributions to the Nation and the world.", do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

1 SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

- 2 The Congress finds the following:
- 3 (1) Charles M. Schulz was born on November 26,
- 4 1922, in St. Paul, Minnesota, the son of Carl and
- 5 Dena Schulz.
- 6 (2) Charles M. Schulz served his country in
- 7 World War II, working his way up from infantryman
- 8 to staff sergeant and eventually leading a machine
- 9 gun squad. He kept morale high by decorating fellow
- soldiers' letters home with cartoons of barracks life.

- 1 (3) After returning from the war, Charles M.
 2 Schulz returned to his love for illustration, and took
 3 a job with "Timeless Topix". He also took a second
 4 job as an art instructor. Eventually, his hard work
 5 paid off when the Saturday Evening Post began pur6 chasing a number of his single comic panels.
 - (4) It was in his first weekly comic strip, "L'il Folks", that Charlie Brown was born. That comic strip, which was eventually renamed "Peanuts", became the sole focus of Charles M. Schulz's career.
 - (5) Charles M. Schulz drew every frame of the "Peanuts" strip, which ran 7 days a week, since it was created in October 1950. This is rare dedication in the field of comic illustration.
 - (6) The "Peanuts" comic strip appeared in 2,600 newspapers around the world daily until January 3, 2000, and on Sundays until February 13, 2000, and reached approximately 335,000,000 readers every day in 20 different languages, making Charles M. Schulz the most successful comic illustrator in the world.
 - (7) Charles M. Schulz's television special, "A Charlie Brown Christmas", has run for 34 consecutive years. In all, more than 60 animated specials have been created based on "Peanuts" characters.

- Four feature films, 1,400 books, and a hit Broadway
 musical about the "Peanuts" characters have also
 been produced.
 - (8) Charles M. Schulz was a leader in the field of comic illustration and in his community. He paved the way for other artists in this field over the last 50 years and continues to be praised for his outstanding achievements.
 - (9) Charles M. Schulz gave back to his community in many ways, including owning and operating Redwood Empire Ice Arena in Santa Rosa, California. The arena has become a favorite gathering spot for people of all ages. Charles M. Schulz also financed a yearly ice show that drew crowds from all over the San Francisco Bay Area.
 - (10) Charles M. Schulz gave the Nation a unique sense of optimism, purpose, and pride. Whether through the Great Pumpkin Patch, the Kite Eating Tree, Lucy's Psychiatric Help Stand, or Snoopy's adventures with the Red Baron, "Peanuts" embodied human vulnerabilities, emotions, and potential.
 - (11) Charles M. Schulz's lifetime of work linked generations of Americans and became a part of the fabric of our national culture.

1 SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.

- 2 (a) AWARD AUTHORIZED.—The President is author-
- 3 ized to award posthumously, on behalf of the Congress, a
- 4 gold medal of appropriate design to Charles M. Schulz in
- 5 recognition of his lasting artistic contributions to the Na-
- 6 tion and the world.
- 7 (b) Design and Striking.—For the purpose of the
- 8 award referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the
- 9 Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Sec-
- 10 retary") shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems,
- 11 devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Secretary.
- 12 SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.
- Under such regulations as the Secretary may pre-
- 14 scribe, the Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
- 15 bronze of the gold medal struck under section 2 at a price
- 16 sufficient to cover the costs of the medals, including labor,
- 17 materials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses, and
- 18 the cost of the gold medal.
- 19 SEC. 4. NATIONAL MEDALS.
- 20 The medals struck under this Act are national medals
- 21 for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.
- 22 SEC. 5. FUNDING AND PROCEEDS OF SALE.
- 23 (a) Authorization.—There is authorized to be
- 24 charged against the United States Mint Public Enterprise
- 25 Fund an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay for the cost
- $26 \ \ \textit{of the medals authorized by this Act}.$

- 1 (b) Proceeds of Sale.—Amounts received from the
- 2 sale of duplicate bronze medals under section 3 shall be de-
- 3 posited in the United States Mint Public Enterprise Fund.

Amend the title so as to read: "An Act to authorize the President to award posthumously a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Charles M. Schulz in recognition of his lasting artistic contributions to the Nation and the world, and for other purposes.".

Attest:

Secretary.

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AMENDMENTS